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SUBJECT: BUDGET CALL FOR FY 1979 VOLUNTARY CONTRI-  
BUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS

FROM IO/DHP TO AMBASSADOR WELLS AND MR. KITCHEN

1. FUNDING REQUESTS AND JUSTIFICATIONS FOR THE FY 1979  
VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO IO AND P ARE DUE BY TUESDAY,  
JULY 19. SINCE SEVERAL FEATURES OF THE BUDGET PROCESS  
HAVE CHANGED, AND BECAUSE THE RECENT DECISION IN UNDP ON  
A SPECIAL RESERVE HAS UNKNOWN RAMIFICATIONS, WE WOULD  
LIKE YOUR JUDGMENT ON THE LEVEL OF FUNDING REQUEST FOR  
UNDP AND (IF ANY) THE FORM OF ADDITIONAL JUSTIFICATION  
FOR FUNDS TO BE EARMARKED FOR THE UNDP SPECIAL RESERVE.

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2. UNDP RESOURCE NEEDS (BASED ON 14 PERCENT ANNUAL  
INCREASE) OVER NEXT FEW YEARS ARE AS FOLLOWS: (MILLIONS  
OF DOLLARS)

-	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	TOTAL
-	515	595	675	785	892	3462

IF WE WERE TO PROJECT SIMILARLY FOR U.S. CONTRIBUTIONS,  
INCLUDING THE 14 PERCENT, THE FIGURES WOULD BE AS  
FOLLOWS: (MILLIONS OF DOLLARS)

-	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	TOTAL
	100	130(?)	148	171	195	744

3. THE NEW FEATURES TO BE CONSIDERED WHEN FORMULATING  
BUDGET REQUESTS ARE:

- ZERO BASE BUDGETING, OR AN ANALYSIS AND JUSTIFICATION  
OF REQUESTS AT A MINIMUM LEVEL (80 PERCENT OF CURRENT  
YEAR); THE CURRENT LEVEL, AND A PROPOSED INCREASED  
LEVEL;

- THE ADMINISTRATION'S INTENT TO BALANCE THE BUDGET;

- THE GROWING CONGRESSIONAL QUESTIONING ABOUT THE  
EFFECTIVENESS OF MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE;

- A GROWING PERCEPTION BY CONGRESS - AND THUS NECESSITY  
FOR US TO EXPLAIN - THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN UN PROGRAMS  
AND GENERAL POLICY CONSIDERATIONS SUCH AS NORTH/SOUTH  
RELATIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS.

4. THE KEY QUESTION IN FORMULATING THE REQUEST FOR UNDP  
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IS WHETHER TO PLUG OUR FIGURE TO THE 14 PERCENT INCREASE  
(WHICH, OF ITSELF, WOULD REQUIRE SUBSTANTIAL JUSTIFICATION  
IN LIGHT OF ZERO-BASE BUDGETING) OR WHETHER TO PLAN FOR  
ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE RESERVE. OUR INCLINATION IS  
NOT TO PRESS FOR FUNDS, NOW, FOR THE RESERVE, SIMPLY  
BECAUSE WE CANNOT TELL (A) WHAT PROJECTS THE FUNDS  
WOULD FINANCE; OR (B) IF UNDP WOULD BE ABLE TO USE THE  
RESERVE IN FY 1979; OR (C) IF INDEED THE GOVERNING  
COUNCIL WOULD EVEN VOTE FOR OUR PROJECTS. AS SUCH, WE  
WOULD REQUEST SIMPLY A 14 PERCENT INCREASE FOR FY 1979;  
AND PLAN, IF CIRCUMSTANCES ALLOW, TO REQUEST A SUPPLE-  
MENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR USE VIA THE SPECIAL RESERVE.

5. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS ON THIS APPROACH

SOONEST AS UNDP PROPOSALS WILL BE PREPARED THIS WEEK. VANCE

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